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Apropos of the prospect recently noted in these columns, that enlargement of our state school buildings would soon be required, it is now noted that President Angel in his report to the board of regents last week enumerated several buildings which the increasing needs of the university would soon demand, and some of which are now urgently needed. "We could," he says, "probably without any extravagance expend a half million dollars on new buildings of the simplest architecture, and our work will be seriously hampered if we cannot soon be provided with some of them." He also refers to the loss of two valued instructors called away by higher salaries than the resources here permit the regents to meet; one to Chicago university and one to Leeland Stanford university, as evidence that present resources are not sufficient to protect our university from such encroachment of the stronger institutions of the country. Some of the state universities have more liberal provisions for their needs than our own, though there is none of any class in any state with stronger demands or stronger deserts on the score of either the amount or the grade of work it is doing. His admonition that it behoves the state to take large and generous views of the obligation it has assumed in founding the university, and his confidence that the people of the state believe the management is making prudent and effective use of the means they have provided for it, are well founded, and will not be discredited or disturbed by any challenge which the exigencies of a politician's campaign may lead him to utter. The administration of the University of Michigan, as of any of our institutions or our departments of government, welcomes and covets comparison alike with the previous history of any period, and with the present achievement of any state.

Far be it from any republican to object to the fullest employment by Candidate Kimmerle of his favorite role of inquisitor, and he will find every republican officer a willing witness to point out for him the information he demands, which in most cases has, indeed, already been given to the public in the various annual reports, as when he demands as he just now does of Auditor General Bradley to be shown the annual treasury balances for the last fifteen years, the receipts from the general government in each year, the state loans and the rate of interest thereon, and various other items. All this is contained in the several annual reports, but if the democrat candidate wants it written out for him he ought to have it, and it will of course be furnished as promptly as the work can be performed. If it imposes extra duty upon some of the "extra clerks" of whom he has talked in his speeches, it will be in a good cause; and if he had asked information about those extra clerks it might have been of use to him. He seemed to think that because they are designated as "extra clerks" they must therefore be some sort of supernumerary force beyond what is usual, for which the departments might be called to account for extravagance. Possibly he did not know that beyond three or four clerks in each department, designated in the statute as bookkeepers and the like, all of the working forces are called "extra clerks," which the heads of the departments are authorized by law to employ according to the needs of the service. If in stating the number of those, all of the names on the payroll for a year were counted, it would include both those dismissed or resigned and their successors, thus doubling the numbers so far as there were changes in the force. That is just what Mr. Kimerle does, in his zeal to show republican extravagance, making the numbers a third larger than they really are, and this, too, is where if Mr. Kimerle had asked for information it might have been useful to him. It is noticeable, however, that he did not apply the same method of enumeration to the Winans administration, with which he was making comparisons. If he had, he would have shown that Auditor General Stone had no less than one hundred and thirty extra clerks on his roll in 1891, a number greater than all who are employed in that department at the present time.

Mr. Stone himself breaks into the game now, with a letter challenging Governor Warner's statement that the succeeding republican administration

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When in spite of this shrinking of the burdens they should have borne and shouldering them over upon their successors, they found it necessary to expend much more for the institutions of the state than they provided in taxation for their successors, the necessity which Governor Rich and Governor Warner have referred to, of employing the credit of the state to tide over the emergency, was imperative. How different the situation now, after fifteen years of unbroken republican control, fifteen years of uninterrupted republican management of state affairs. A period of extreme and protracted business depression and financial disaster consequent upon democrat ascendancy in national affairs, broke upon us at the very beginning of the fifteen years, crippling the public resources and making the direction of all public affairs exceedingly difficult. When that storm had been weathered and normal conditions restored, there ensued, in the middle of the fifteen-year period a foreign war in which our state met her share of the burden with her sister states in men and money, and incurred a bonded debt. But so capable and so faithful has been the management of our public affairs that the onward progress of our state has been but briefly disturbed, and she appears now in circumstances of prosperity unsurpassed if not unexampled in the history of any state. Her bonds have been canceled and she is without a dollar of indebtedness, her treasury is supplied with funds ample for all proper needs, and the revenues are so adjusted as to assure permanent security to all of her institutions without undue burden upon the taxpayer; and this prosperity of the state in her corporate capacity is but the reflection of the unexampled prosperity of her people of all walks of life in their private capacity, under the guiding hand of those whom the republican party has chosen to direct her affairs.

These are the conditions which the democrat nominee for governor has now to face in his proclamation of disaster and his demand for a change and this is the contrast he invokes in his comparison of the democrat period of 1891-92 with the present, which he insists in urging upon the public attention. He is one quite welcome to Governor Warner in his campaign for reelection, and one in which Gov. Warner's associates in the government and on the ticket will cheerfully unite to supply Mr. Kimerle all of the information he may think desirable to call for.

HORTON.

COR. MURDEROUS PROPS.

A felonist states that Mr. Kressler of Elizabethtown shot a large white crane, a bird of rare beauty and seldom found this far north. The gentleman might with propriety be asked what the crane had done to him. Did he kill it because it was beautiful? Did he fear that the crane would thrust its deadly bill into him? Clearly, an explanation is due.—Philadelphia Ledger.

NOT ON THEIR SYSTEM.

A society which disseminates moral literature sent a railway manager a bundle of free tracts to place in the waiting rooms. One of the tracts was entitled: "A Route to New Jerusalem." The letter the society received in reply declined the tracts on the ground that "We cannot place the tracts, as the N. J. is not on our system."

ENGLISH HENPECKED CLUB.

It is said that in Yorkshire, England, there is an organization known as the Henpecked club. Each candidate for membership is required to prove that he has been in the habit of taking his wife's breakfast to her bed, blacking the stove, carrying up the coal and nursing the baby every night while his wife goes out.

BEAUTIFUL ROMAN GLASSWARE.

There is no more beautiful glassware than that of the Romans, which, in many of the examples that still survive, is further beautified by the great art, the passion of restorers giving the surface of the vessels a bright, glossy, iridescent appearance, due to a decomposition of the outer

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Notice of Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the Twenty-fourth day of March, A. D. 1906, executed by Joseph Neppel of Grayling village, Crawford county, Michigan to Martin Hanson of the same place, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the county of Crawford in said State in Liber H of Mortgages on page 456 on the Twenty-fourth day of August in the year 1906, at eight o'clock a.m.

And whereas, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of its notice is the sum of Twenty-six dollars and thirty-one cents of principal and interest and the further sum of Fifteen dollars as an attorney fee as provided by law in such case, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding have been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction, to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in Grayling village, in said county of Crawford, on the Twenty-fourth day of November next at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day; which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows to wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the Village of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Lot Three of block Two, Salling, Hanson & Company, addition to the Village of Grayling according to the recorded plat thereof.

Dated August 27th, A. D. 1906.

MARIUS HANSON,
GEO. L. ALEXANDER,
Mortgagee,
Attorney.

FISH TAKE LONG JOURNEYS.

That flat fish are capable of making long journeys is shown by the experiments of the North Sea fisheries investigation committee. Platje, liberated on Lincolnshire were recaptured off Winchelsea—a distance of 175 miles—three months later.—London Answers.

New York and London.
New York has more children at its public schools than London; fewer paupers; a lower death rate; fewer uninhabited houses; more parks, more bridges, fewer jails, a better distributed street traffic and a higher standard of health.

New Style of Deadly Weapon.
Duff Merrick, a lawyer of Asheville, N. C., was recently arraigned before a magistrate on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, to wit, a street car, in seizing one Molton, and attempting to put him in front of a rapidly moving car.

Theatricals for the Poor.
Some Parisian theaters give gratuitous performances three or four times a year. They are intended for poor people, and the first arrivals are usually at the doors several hours before the house is opened.

Show Age of Whales.
The age of whales is ascertained by the size and number of laminae of the whalebone, which increases yearly. Ages of 300 and 400 years have been assigned to whales from these indications.

Merely Tried To!
The traders of Connecticut never painted off wooden nutmegs on any one. It was charged against them by their envious business rivals, but it was not so.—New Haven Register.

Out of Office and In.

A well-known radical member has coined this ugly phrase: "It is a pity that the government has not as much courage in office as it had conscience in opposition"—Truth, London.

In store's Laboratory.
"As to codfish," remarked the head boaster, "I remark the odors from the kitchen. "I never will be necessary to denature them. They were born that way."

Never!
Woman can never hope to be man's equal until she is able to open a telegram as calmly as she is able to open a can of corn.—Montreal Star.

Poor Use for Money.
"It do look," said Uncle Ebenezer, "like some men date is mighty smart at makin'—money didn't know nuttin' to do wif it except to buy trouble."

World's Finest Thermometer.
At Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, is a thermometer which is said to be the finest ever made. It cost \$10,000.

Excuse for Jap Poachers.
Alaska formerly belonged to Russia. Perhaps the Japanese seal fishermen did not know about the sale.

Important Duty Underrated.
There is no duty so much underrated as the duty of being happy.—Stevenson.

Hands of English Women.
The hands of Englishwomen of rank are aristocratically sharp, but they are long and sometimes too dry.

Kindness.
How much the world needs kindness; how easily it is done!—Drummond.

Falcon's Long Flight.
A falcon has flown from Tenerife to Andalucia, 750 miles, in 16 hours.

Election Notice.

To the sheriff of Crawford County.

SIR:—You are hereby notified that at the General Election to be held in this State on Tuesday, the sixth day of November next, the following officers are to be voted for in your county:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor.

Secretary of State, State Treasurer.

Auditor General, Commissioner of State Land Office, Attorney General.

Superintendent of Public Instruction, and member of the State Board of Education; also Representative in Congress for the Tenth Congressional District, comprising the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Bay, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Osceola, and Otsego.

Senate: Senator for the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District of the State, comprising the counties of Alcona, Arenac, Clare, Crawford, Gladwin, Iosco, Missaukee, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Roscommon, and a Representative in the State Legislature for Presque Isle.

Deputy Secretary of State, Sheriff.

ABNER J. STILWELL,

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POLITICAL

COMMENT

A DREAM IN MARBLE

MOST EXQUISITE BUILDING EVER ERECTED BY MAN.

Mausoleum of Taj Mahal in India—Monument of a Husband's Love for His Wife—in It Art Reached Its Perfection.

The Test of Iteration.
New York will be the scene of a campaign this fall which for interest from a purely human point of view will surpass that of any campaign in the political history of the State. The human interest in the contest will lie largely in the desire of the people of the whole country to learn in cold figures how many followers William Randolph Hearst has won for the cause of which he has been for years the self-advertised exponent.

The Republicans of New York have nominated Charles Evans Hughes as their candidate for governor to oppose Mr. Hearst. The campaign in small degree, however, will be a contest between recognized political parties. It will be a fight between demagoguery and decency, between impractical radicalism and unreasoning if genuine disinterestedness and just as honest but more conservative reform.

It seems inconceivable that Mr. Hearst can carry the State of New York. If he does carry it is time that men of sane minds in all the States should take thought for the future. It is undeniably true that the methods of Mr. Hearst, his appeals to ignorance, his sophistries and his subtle efforts to turn content to discontent, have created for him a following. The test of the strength of that following is to come.

The nomination of Mr. Hearst by their party comes to the conservative Democrats of New York State as a sort of a numbing shock. The numbness won't last long. Mr. Hearst will find himself facing a more bitter opposition within the ranks of the party which yesterday named him as its standard bearer than Charles J. Folger confronted in the Republican party when Grover Cleveland defeated him for the governorship of New York twenty-four years ago.

Mr. Hearst has the support of his own papers. What other press support can he count upon? Nearly every Democratic paper of prominence in the State of New York is of conservative tendencies. Is it possible that these journals will give over their columns to the sudden advocating of that which for years they have been consistently condemning?

In Mr. Hughes the Republicans have a candidate for whom the Democrats who revolt at the thought of Hearstism can vote without a wrench of conscience. He will have the vote of all men in his party who have not strayed into the camp of the yellow dog. The coming contest will disclose the truth or falsity of the claim that the Hearst idea is dominant with the people of New York.—Chicago Post.

As a Contributory Cause.

It is well to mention occasionally, as Speaker Cannon did at Danville, that under the Republican Protective Policy the United States now produces a third of the world's manufactures and agricultural products. Some Democrats declare that the tariff never helps the farmer. They are rash in making any such assertion. This gives the Republicans a chance to show that the diversification of industries, which the tariff has created has raised up a home market for the farmer which has advanced the value of everything which he has to sell, while the competition among the factories has cheapened everything that the farmer has to buy. This is the principal reason why farming is far more profitable now than it was in the Democratic days before the Rebellion. Farming is far more profitable, likewise, than it was in the Democratic days of 1883-97, when the country had its latest and severest financial panic. In speaking of the country's prosperity from any viewpoint the tariff is sure to present itself as a contributory cause of the good times. Under Democratic sway, in Buchanan's days, the aggregate of the country's manufactures was slight. This was an agricultural country almost solely, at that time. As a consequence the farmer got less for his products than he does now. Our manufactured articles in those days were furnished by England chiefly, and the American farmer and the rest of the American consumers paid more for them than they do now for the home product. The tariff has benefited producer and consumer. There are more wage-workers in proportion to the aggregate population in 1900 than there were in 1860, the last year of Democratic power prior to the Rebellion. There are more wage-workers than there were in 1860, the last year of the last term of the last Democratic President. The wages in each case have made great advances. Here are some of the reasons why the Republicans in the campaigns of 1900 and 1908 will champion the maintenance of a tariff which will give adequate protection to every American product which needs protection. Speaker Cannon at Danville gave excellent reasons why the American people will, in 1908, elect a Republican Congress to continue the magnificent work which is being done by the Republican party.—St. Louis "Globe-Democrat."

A Bad Year.

This is a bad year for American labor to commit any political follies. It is a bad year to hold the door open for tariff changes. It is certainly a bad year to withhold hearty support from the Republican party, that has created all the wonderful prosperity that workingmen enjoy—and that is the opinion, too, of the great majority of workingmen, who will vote for Republican Tariff Protection, as they always do.—Gowark "Advertiser."

An Expensive Saving.

It has been estimated that the increase in the cost of a pair of shoes by reason of the tariff on leather is from two to seven cents. The effort to save seven cents a pair on shoes through a revision of the present tariff rates would probably be the most expensive move the treasury could make.

efforts has ever known. Under present arrangements, the shoes are made here, much of the leather is produced here, much of the entire transaction is one of home gain and profit.—Admiral Michie, "Times."

Wages and Cost of Living.

The question is: Has the average man been better off in the last six or seven years than he was in the six or seven years preceding 1890-1900? Is he better able now to have the things he wants than he was ten or twelve years ago?

He is. Beyond the shadow of a shade of doubt in us. We have but to look about us to see the proofs on every hand. We have but to think back to find these proofs in our own knowledge.

The average man is able to live in a better house, better furnished, and wear better clothes now than then. He has more money in the bank, he falls less frequently in business, he has fewer debts which he cannot pay when due. These are undeniable facts.

Then why this wild outcry from town? It is true that prices are higher, but so are incomes. The average man has to pay more, but he also gets more and is able to save more if he chooses.

What these Iowa Democrats really call for is hard times prices with good times incomes. No way has ever been found of having these two things at once. We can have one or the other—hard times with low prices or prosperity with high prices—but not both.

We tried in 1892 the remedy for high prices which the Iowa Democrats now again propose. We let the Democratic party break down the tariff to get lower prices.

Well, we got low prices—and we also got low incomes. We got rid of high prices—and we also got rid of prosperity. We swore we would no longer be "robbed under the shelter of the tariff"—and we were soon luxuriating in the pleasing sensation that we were entirely safe from robbery, having nothing left to be robbed of.

Let any man who resents high prices now think back and remember how he fared when prices were low, eight, ten, and twelve years ago. Was he better off then than he is now? Would he like to go back to those times of low prices?—Chicago "Inter-Ocean."

The Same Old Bryan.

We are obliged to Mr. Bryan. He has confirmed our prediction that he presented to the country in his previous Presidential campaigns. He has abandoned none of the beliefs which he professed in 1896. He is more radical than he was then and still believes that free coinage of silver would contribute to the general prosperity.

While he does not make it clear how he will deal specifically with the several phases of the problem of wealth in its relation to the commonwealth, he announces that like us will be drastic and that he will shortly tackle the tariff, railroad and trust questions and imperialism.

He will not stretch his hand across the bloody gulch to grasp that of the "safe and sane." He will be glad to see them, in any number, and will permit them to stand close up to him, but they have got to come across by themselves.

For Mr. Bryan there must be a radical Democracy or none at all.—Chicago "Leader."

Lower Prices, Lower Incomes.

Let it be known to-morrow that there is to be a rip up on the tariff and the cheapening process will begin immediately. Neither the manufacturer nor the wholesaler or the retailer will know what to expect. Many will lose their jobs. Their ability to buy will be decreased and prices will fall. The man who holds his job and keeps his salary may possibly be benefited temporarily, but scarcely one man in ten thousand will be able to do that. A general reduction in wages will be the order of the day. Hard times mean hard times incomes. The prices that prevail in good times are the natural sequence of the incomes that characterize such periods. The man who argues that you can have hard times prices and good times incomes is either an ignoramus or a demagogue and invariably believes him is not wise. He might just as well expect a good grass crop during a drought.—Cedar Rapids "Republican."

Several Subjects.

Adversity is the parent of virtue.—Plutarch.

Do not eat between meals (habitually) or at irregular intervals.

He is the best gentleman who is the son of his own deserts.—From the French.

Boycote—There is no use locking the stable door after the horse is stolen. Joyce—You can save the hay, can't you?

Steps were taken recently toward forming in Paris a Canadian chamber of commerce to extend commercial relations between France and Canada.

Artificial stimulation of the gland in the throat below Adam's apple will, it is claimed by French scientists, cause my child to grow to a maximum height.

More men have died and are buried in the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the proposed canal, than on any equal amount of territory in the world.

The most extensively spoken language is Chinese, but as there are so many dialects in the language and as these differ so greatly in the confines of Mongolia and Tibet from those around Pekin it is scarcely correct to say that the 352,000,000 Chinese all speak one language. Putting, therefore, China aside, the most-spoken languages in the world are as follows: in millions English, 120; German, 70; Russian, 68; Spanish, 44; Portuguese, 32.

purity—is the jewel, the ideal itself. A spectator marvels that so much beauty can come from so little apparent effort. Yet nothing is wanting, there is nothing in excess; we cannot alter a single stone and claim that the result would be better.

One enters reverently the burial place of Shah Jahan's Queen, whose cenotaph is of the whitest marble, placed in the precise center of the building and surrounded by an octagonal screen of alabaster, that is pierced and interwoven like lace. Every foot of the walls, every column and panel, is elaborately embellished with flowers, leaves, scrolls and sentences and these are inlaid in jasper, bloodstone, jatla, onyx and precious stones. Arjunam's tomb blossoms with never failing Persian flowers and Arabic sentences extolling her character and is as marvelous in workmanship as it is produced by Florentine in byzantines of the present day. It is said that eight years were consumed by the artists intrusted with the making and beautifying of Arjunam's co-tomb and farther that the Koran's every line and every word is reproduced in inlay or in relief carving on the interior or the exterior of the Taj.

This gem of Agrin is worshipped fervently by Hindus as by those of the Moslem faith and Indian artists in a few years almost destroy their eyesight trying to portray in miniature upon ivory the architectural perfection and delicacy of this marvel of the world.

The most exquisite building ever erected by the hands of man is the Taj Mahal, which was constructed by the great Mogul Emperor, Shah Jahan, at Agra, India. It marks a great man's love for a woman—Arjunam Banu Begum, his wife. Shah Jahan was a Mohammedan despot who led a magnificent life, and had other wives; but in his eyes the peer of her sex was Arjunam. When she died he declared he would rear to her memory a mausoleum so perfect that it would make men marvel for all time. And this he accomplished. More poetry and prose have been written about the Taj, with more allusions to it as a symbol of love, than of any other creation marking human affection—and the world loves a lover, says a writer in the Booklovers Magazine.

Shah Jahan ruled from 1628 to 1658 and had been on the throne only two years when death took from him his beloved Arjunam. Then came the resolve to erect to her memory a monument that might measure his love and grief. All the best architects, artists and skilled workmen of India, Persia and Arabia were summoned to Shah Jahan's court and the resources of his empire placed at their disposal. The Taj, consequently, was not the creation of a single master mind, but the con-sommation of a great art epoch. It is

lengths for houses, dunes, or food, as may be required. The house of the beaver is built on the bank of the river, with its entrance under water. Once having built the entrance, the rest of the house is started, the whole colony working at the house until it is finished, and when completed it is warm, dry and cozy. Although it is impossible for beavers to live for long under water, the entrance is built for some distance under the water, and then there is a long tunnel connecting the house with the water.

A beaver family usually consists of four or five, and comes into the world with its eyes wide open. The young ones live with their parents for two years and then they are made to shift for themselves. The full-grown beaver measures about two feet in length, with a tail some ten inches long, which he can use as a spade or a trowel as well as a paddle. The average age is 15 years, although some have been known to be as old as 20, but such cases are said to be rare. When the animal is 9 years of age its pelt is at its prime, and will fetch from \$10 to \$12 in Minneapolis.

STATE OWNED RAILROADS.

Some of the Lines That Have No Bonded Indebtedness.

A few railroads have no bonded indebtedness, says Brunson E. Keefer in Moody's Magazine. The Cincinnati Southern, extending from Cincinnati to Chattanooga, built and owned by the city of Cincinnati, is one. The Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific, which leases the Cincinnati Southern, is another. The Green Bay & Western is a third. It has some income bonds, which are really a preferred stock, as the interest is payable only if earned. The company has no fixed charges except taxes. The Chicago Great Western is a fourth road which has none. The great Rock Island system has none. Its constituent companies have funded debts, but the Rock Island Company itself has none. The Western & Atlantic, extending from Chattanooga to Atlanta, has none.

The road was built in the 40's of the last century by the State of Georgia, and is still owned by the State, although it is operated under a lease by the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Company. But from the time of its completion down through the civil war, and until the 70's, it was operated directly by the State. The engines, cars and entire equipment were the property of the State, and the employees were State officials, and drew their salaries from the State treasury. In order to keep it out of the hands of the so-called carpet bag government it was leased in the 70's to a company, and later to the corporation which now operates it.

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Her Position.

"Do you think your latest matrimonial venture will be for the better or the worse?"

"I can't say," answered the sensational actress with a look of resignation. "Everything is now in the hands of my press agent."—Washington Star.

DANCE BY THE WAKIKUYU IN BRITISH EAST AFRICA



The Wakikuyu are known as the Kikuyu and Akikuyu, and they inhabit the Kikuyu hills, one of the most beautiful, fertile and commercially important parts of the British East Africa Protectorate not far from Nairobi. Sir Charles Eliot says that they are intelligent and fairly industrious, and live a semi-settled agricultural life; that is to say, they burn a clearing in the forest, build a village and cultivate for a few years. As soon as the soil shows any signs of exhaustion they move on, burn another clearing, and repeat the same process. Sir Charles says that the Kikuyu are almost a comparative recent hybrid between the Massai and a Bantu stock, and there is no reason why such hybrids should not continue to be formed in the future, to the great advantage of the country. It is estimated that the natives of the Kikuyu country number some 300,000. Kikuyu is said to be derived from Kuiy, which means a big tree of various kinds being abundant in the country.

Sunday School

LESSON FOR OCTOBER 14.

The Ten Virgins.—Matt. 25: 1-13. Golden Text.—Watch therefore; for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of Man cometh.—Matthew 25: 13.

Jesus had been telling His disciples of the awful doom that was to come upon Jerusalem, of the end of the world, and of His coming to judge the world. He predicted that Jerusalem with its massive Temple of which the Jews were so proud would be made a heap of ruins, and that this overthrow would be attended with awful suffering.

That prophecy was fulfilled about forty years afterward at the taking of the city by the Romans. For the Jews, ever seeking independence, though they had long since ceased to deserve it, had rebelled against Roman rule. Of course the Roman emperor would not allow a little nation like the Jewish people, to defy him, especially as Palestine was so situated that any power, claiming to be a world power, must hold it. The stubbornness with which the Jews defended Jerusalem and the natural strength of the place impressed upon the Roman general the conviction that the only way to complete the subjugation of Palestine was to wipe Jerusalem off the map, and it was utterly destroyed as Jesus had predicted.

As to our Lord's prophecy concerning the end of the world, or of the age, and His reappearing, though ever so many attempts have been made to harmonize all His statements, no one has been able to do so except by ignoring or explaining away what did not fall in with His special scheme.

There is a great desire on the part of most people who really care to know about Bible teaching, to understand exactly what Jesus meant in His different discourses upon "the end," and upon His coming again. But it seems evident that Jesus Himself was not anxious to leave any very definite knowledge upon these matters. What He did wish to do, however, is plain to everybody. He wished to prepare His disciples of that day, and of all times, to meet trials that were to come. And He wished them to understand that even such terrible calamities as the destruction of Jerusalem are part of God's plan; that God knows the history of the world in advance and through it all is working toward the accomplishment of His purposes.

What we know it is practically important that we should know. We can well afford to leave disputation about matters that cannot be decided by a comprehensive study of the Bible to those who wish to understand religion rather than to live it. The read was built in the 40's of the last century by the State of Georgia, and is still owned by the State, although it is operated under a lease by the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Company. But from the time of its completion down through the civil war, and until the 70's, it was operated directly by the State. The engines, cars and entire equipment were the property of the State, and the employees were State officials, and drew their salaries from the State treasury. In order to keep it out of the hands of the so-called carpet bag government it was leased in the 70's to a company, and later to the corporation which now operates it.

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Not Particular.

"By the way, old man, could you let me have a liver till to-morrow night?"

"Sorry, but I haven't a thing but the five I just borrowed from Billings."

"Well, that will do. Source never cuts any figure with me."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Cheap Excursions South.

On first and third Tuesday of each month the Big Four Railway will sell excursion tickets to most all points in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia, at rate of one fare plus \$2.00, with return limit 30 days. Liberal stopover privileges. Write L. P. Spindler, General Northern Agent, 238 Clark St., Chicago, for further information.

Rising Elections.

"Mildred," said the proud mother, "let the lady hear you recite that beautiful poem you began to learn this morning."

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused It to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert

restore the family fortune. They argued that the medicine which was so good for their woman friends and neighbors was equally good for the men of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a glass of bottle. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful creative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it recommended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until to-day Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continuing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience she was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case examined to date. The name of every sick woman who applied to her for advice, and there were thousands—received careful study, and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference and to-day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham. She was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her vast correspondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its originator passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing in the work shows when the first Lydia E. Pinkham dropped her pen, and the present Mrs. Pinkham, now the mother of a large family, took it up. With women assistants, some as capable as herself, the present Mrs. Pinkham continues this great work; and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Yours for Health" freely given if you only write to ask for it.

Such is the history of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; made from simple roots and herbs; the one great medicine for women's ailments, and the fitting monument to the noble woman whose name it bears.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price, as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too much for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful depression, so when the Centennial year dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found.

At this point Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was made known to the world.

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To Republicans.

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The Congressional campaign must be based on the administrative and legislative record of the party, and that being so, Theodore Roosevelt's personality must be a central figure and his achievements a central thought in the campaign.

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For Lieutenant Governor—Patrick H. Kelly.

For Secretary of State—George A. Prescott.

For State Treasurer—Frank H. Glazier.

For Auditor General—James B. Bradley.

For State Land Commissioner—William H. Rose.

For Attorney General—John E. Bird.

For Member State Board of Education—Dexter M. Ferry.

Democratic State Ticket.

For Governor—Chas. H. Kimmerle, Cassopolis.

For Secretary of State—P. J. DeVine, Stanton.

For State Treasurer—Charles Wellman, Port Huron.

For Attorney General—Judge E. J. Doyle, Grand Rapids.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—Elmer R. Webster, Pontiac.

For Auditor General—John Yuill, Vassar.

For State Land Commissioner—C. L. Sheldon, Bay City.

For State Board Education—James E. Sullivan, Muskegon.

Republican County Convention.

To the Republican Electors of Crawford County.

The County Convention of the Republicans of Crawford county by delegates, is called to meet at the Court House in the village of Grayling on Tuesday the 16th day of October, 1906, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of nominating county officers and to transact such other business as properly may come before said convention.

The several townships are entitled to the following representation to wit: Beaver Creek 5; Frederic 13; Grayling 19; Maple Forest 7; South Branch; 2 total 46.

By order of the Republican County Committee,

Dated at Grayling this 26th day of September, 1906.

MARIUS HANSON, Chairman.

JOHN J. NIEDERER, Secretary.

The state campaign being waged in behalf of the democrat party in Michigan will take a rest for a few days this week while Mr. Kimmerle attends the annual meeting of the Cass county board of supervisors. Mr. Kimerle seems to be practical as well as inquisitive. The job he is now attached to in Cass county is a bird in the hand of more importance to him than any number of elusive and impossible gubernatorialships.

Last week the Weather Bureau sent out from Washington specific and urgent warnings of the approach of the great gulf storm more than three days in advance. Two days before it came the weather officials stated that it would be especially damaging in the central gulf region, and 24 hours before it struck they named Pensacola as place of the greatest severity. Every forecast was fully borne out by the event.

In the course of his letter of acceptance the democrat candidate for governor refers to the independent spirit manifested by the voters of Michigan two years ago, and Mr. Kimerle expresses the hope that the same courageous spirit shall be exercised this fall. Mr. Kimerle's hope is quite timid and modest from a democrat point of view. The courageous, independent spirit exercised by the voters of Michigan two years ago brought about the most sweeping republican victory this state had ever known. Of the six or seven hundred county officers elected throughout the entire state, only five were democrats. Not a democrat was elected to either branch of the state legislature and every democratic candidate for congress was defeated. Yes, indeed the independent, courageous spirit of the voters of Michigan was strikingly manifested two years ago, and Mr. Kimerle's hope that it shall be repeated this fall will be fulfilled to a greater extent than he will in the least enjoy.

Additional Local News.

Business Men's Banquet.

Last Friday evening the Manufacturers and Wholesalers of Saginaw, to the number of thirty, who have been making a weeks tour of this northern part of the state with a special train, were met at the depot by a hundred or more of our business men and the "Beat Band in Northern Michigan" and conducted to the club rooms, where a genuine social smoker was enjoyed until ten o'clock.

The gang was called to order by J. C. Burton, President Hum was introduced and made an address of welcome and presented the key of the city to Mr. Waldron, the leader of the Saginaw bunch, advising him that they were to take whatever they desired. Mr. Waldron replied in a happy vein and the fun began fast and furious, with Chief Shoppenagans and his "Trained Buffaloes" among the chief attractions.

At ten o'clock the party numbering over one hundred, repaired to the opera house where the tables were spread with such profusion, and elegantly arranged that the sight gave everyone their appetite, and the viands disappeared, keeping time to the music of the orchestra.

Geo. L. Alexander, as toastmaster, was at the head of the center table, with Hon. Arthur Hill at his right, and E. P. Waldron, of Saginaw at his left. For nearly an hour the waiters were kept busy, and "Something was doing." Then came coffee and cigars, Mr. Alexander in a felicitous speech jolted the crowd and introduced Hon. Arthur Hill, the Saginaw aspirant for a seat in the U. S. Senate. Mr. Hill has thousands of personal friends in Northern Michigan, whom he has met on the junket of the week, and has been presented to thousands of others and is naturally hopeful of securing the influence of all.

Mr. Hill proved himself a good mixer of words and was thoroughly enjoyed, whether he was speaking of pioneer or modern lumbering, the great growth and advantages of Saginaw, the pleasures of the trip, or of politics in general and his particular hopes.

Mr. Hunsaker representing the Saginaw COURIER HERALD was interesting, in the line of newspaper work and the necessity of the press to business men. Our Postmaster Bates pointed out bushels of plain figures and facts giving briefly the history of the birth and growth of our postal system and its absolute necessity to all business.

Mr. Fox of Saginaw spoke of the grocery business from a wholesalers stand point, and Mr. F. Narren, of Connie & Co. followed the subject, from the country grocery store. Messrs Symons and Furlong each gave a brief practical talk of the advantages of their city as a distributing center and the benefits the party expected to derive from their unique advertising trip.

It was well in to the "We Sma Hours" when the party broke up, with toasts, cheers and good wishes for everybody.

School Notes.

Mr. Bradley is reading "With Mask and Mit" by the author of "Following the Ball." These books please the boys and hold up to them the high ideals of school life.

Were it not for whooping cough, the attendance would be better than ever in the history of the school.

The agent of the Oliver machine was a high school caller last Monday, and demonstrated the merits of his machine.

Singing during the morning exercises has been much improved since "Pat" left the song books. It would do you good to hear the boys and girls sing. Come and hear them.

Members of the physics class are struggling with problems in falling bodies. They wonder just when to look for the new air pump.

Our new heating apparatus is a winner. No more cold feet, thanks to the taxpayers and school board.

The high school class is drawing recites to Miss Olson in the "lab."

We are anxiously waiting to see who will be the first parent to visit the high school this year. Be the first, and win a prize.

"The greatest genius God ever gave man is the genius of hard work."

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will serve a harvest supper in the G. A. R. hall. Price 15 cents. Everybody come.

Methodist Protestant Church, Grayling, Mich. (south side.) Pastor—R. H. Cunningham. Services as follows: Preaching 10 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sabbath School, 12 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the above services.

The hunting season is almost here and the chance to get a first class Marlin rifle, 44 caliber is now cheap for cash or will trade for hardware. Enquire at this office.

In fully 1,000 school districts of the state, treasurers have given no bonds whatever, and in 3,000 to 4,000 districts the bonds were inadequate. In the state there are 7,207 districts. The department is now taking steps to assist the school officers in complying with the law before the large apportionment of school money is made.

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One Day Institutes.

The following one day Farmer's Institutes have been arranged for, with Mr. N. K. Potter of Bancroft as speaker. It is hoped that our farmers will arrange to take advantage of them.

Scott's School House, South Branch, October 16.

Benedict School House, Beaver Creek, October 17.

Sherman School House, Maple Forest, October 18.

GEO. F. OWEN,
Secretary.

Frederic Correspondence.

A. Mr. Bebee of Inlay City has bought 20 acres of Mr. Kittridge and will move thereon.

The Ward school ground is much improved by clearing, plowing and harrowing it.

A number of our citizens attended the fair at Gaylord.

Mrs. McGee is at Mason this week.

A young man from Gaylord preached in Mr. Gays place last Sunday night.

Rev. Coombs returned from Calumet last Friday morning.

Mrs. Yates visited at Vanderbilt last week.

Mrs. Edmunds is convalescent and will soon be out.

Stella Trudeau, Anna Jendren and others took in the excursion to Bay City last week.

Mrs. Quick of Gaylord visited at Mrs. Ingles Saturday night.

Mrs. Ingles has been afflicted with tonsilitis the past week.

Judge Items.

Mr. Stillwagon of West Branch has moved into the house vacated by Robert Dyer.

Mr. Conrad Howe has been opening a public highway on section 24 the past week.

Eugene Parker got his fingers close to the saw last week, he now has them in bandages.

T. E. Douglas has torn out the old root house, and is erecting in its place a large cement cellar for his tubers.

Infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyer died last Friday, interment Sunday at Grayling. They have the sympathy of all.

The attendance at Sabbath school is not as large as it should be, the Superintendent Ray Owen should have the co-operation of all.

Mrs. Philip Wright of Detroit has been the guest of Mrs. Underhill for the past few days. Last Friday Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Morgan, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Mrs. Underhill drove over to Crapo lake to try their skill fishing. They were successful, at least Mrs. Wright was, the excitement was high for a while, the way that the old pike made the water foam, the rod bent, the boat swayed, who would not be excited, Mrs. Wright finally landed the largest fish of the day, 43 inches long.

This is not a fish story, these are the authentic facts, if you doubt it, ask Dr. Underhill.

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The Irrepressible Maud.

An exchange perpetrates the following: "Maud Muller on a summer day, with her fellow ran away, in a benzine touring car, scooting to a preacher far. Maud's father saw the fleeing pair—snelled the benzine scented air, caught a mule whose name was Jane, and galloped down the dusty lane, the mule very swiftly ran, but burned the oil all out the can. The motor stopped upon a hill, but Jane ran on just fit to kill. Alas for maul, alas for maul, alas for empty benzine can. Maud's daddy on the old gray mule came and took her off to school. The mule might wrecked the benzine cart; the feller died of a broken heart.

The moral of this tale so sad: "Don't steal the girl, go ask her dad."

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Ladies' Fine Shoe for fall wear \$1.50 to \$3.50.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, OCT. 11

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

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All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Hand painted China, at Hathaway's.

No trace has yet been found of J. L. Haines.

Jap, Jap, Japanese Bloom at SORENSEN'S.

Mrs. A. B. Failing returned Tuesday, from a visit in Tuscola county.

Scientific watch repairing, at Hathaway's.

Jap, Jap, Japanese Bloom at SORENSEN'S.

It will pay you to read Hathaway's ads. Just try it and see.

Your opportunity. See Sorenson's ad.

Get your Japanese Bloom from SORENSEN'S.

Cold Breakers will cure your cold, try it. For sale at Fournier's Drug Store.

Get your Japanese Bloom from SORENSEN'S.

Rev. L. Pilchner is attending the meeting of the Presbyterian Synod at Detroit this week.

Rings of all descriptions sizes and shapes at Andrew Peterson's jewelry store.

Mrs. Francis Wienberg, came home for a few days visit. She will return to her new home in Saginaw, Monday.

Fine Sterling Souvenir spoons can be had at A. Peterson's Jewelry Store.

C. F. Kelley of Frederic, came down with the Saginaw Special last week to attend the banquet.

The dealers have some new souvenier postal cards, bearing neat views of Portage Lake.

J. K. Meritz, of Johannesburg, was present at the Business Men's Banquet last week.

A good 4x5 Eastman Kodak for sale cheap. Enquire here or of Charles W. Miller, Judges P. O., Mich.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will serve a supper Friday, Oct. 12 in the G. A. R. hall. Everybody come.

Ladies the place to buy hats at low prices is at Mrs. Hill's, opposite the Methodist church Grayling, Mich.

Get your jewelry work and watch repairing done at A. Peterson's jewelry store.

The Bride's choice now a days is a handsome piece of cut glass, get it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

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Stop just a moment! I want to call your attention to my latest assortment of Souvenir spoons. Call in and see them.

ANDREW PETERSON.

Wm. Woodfield is taking a weeks vacation from the wagon, leaving it to be engined by Failing. Mr. and Mrs. Woodfield will enjoy the time at Bay City and the southern part of the state.

FOR SALE—Seasoned beach and maple wood, three feet long, at \$3.50 per cord, delivered.

JOHN JOHNSON.

The Scandinavian Society are moving the house opposite the Presbyterian church, and will erect a fine hall and library building on the site, for the use of their society.

Mrs. J. R. Williams, nee Dorothy Jorgenson, and the baby, returned to their St. Louis, Mo., home last week. Mr. Williams came up to accompany her only staying long enough to say Good Morning and Good Bye. Her visit has been greatly enjoyed by her friends, except for its brevity.

The 47th annual meeting of the Michigan State Sunday School Association will be held in the First Methodist church, Jackson, Mich., on Nov. 13, 14 and 15, 1906. Speakers and Singers of national reputation are on the program and one of the best meetings ever held is anticipated.

The corner stone of the Gaylord State saving Bank building was laid some time Wednesday. Mr. Buck procured the latest issues of the local papers and together with one of the recording banks had them bricked up with it.

If the Citizen's Band could have heard half the fine things said of their music by our Saginaw visitors last week, they would have had taffy enough for the winter, and it was all deserved.

A regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors Thursday evening, October 11th, at 7 o'clock.

Local politics is warming up a trifle, the first symptoms of life being shown since the democratic convention.

Mrs. Marilda Smith has been appointed department inspector for the Department of Michigan, Ladies of the G. A. R.

F. Richardson of South Branch brought in a sample of his potatoes good week, three of which weighed four pounds and a half.

The attention of everybody is called to the change of time of the republican county convention. It will be held on TUESDAY the SIXTEENTH of October.

Henry Qua had the misfortune to run a nail in the bottom of his foot Saturday and now has a painful wound on his hands.—Gaylord Herald.

The Hecla branch of the Michigan Central will be taken up this fall. It was laid for the Hecla Coal and Cement Co., which built a large plant and after two years failed.

The Board of Supervisors are in session this week for the annual session. The amount of business to be attended to will necessitate their remaining well into next week.

There was a little sight of snow in the air on Monday, and Tuesday was a blizzard day, alternating snow and rain with high wind. The mercury at night registering at 22°.

Wait for the big cloak and fur sale to be held at I. J. Yates, Frederic, Ladies, Misses and Children coats and furs sale to be given by manufacturers agent. Date of sale announced later.

The partridge season opened Monday and lasts until November 30. It is unlawful for anyone to kill more than twelve in one day, or have more than fifty in your possession at any one time.

According to an item in Detroit paper, Congressman Loud and his brothers, Henry and Edward F., are in Detroit this week planning a million dollar company to develop the water power of the AuSable river.

C. F. Gibbs has a pocketful of money from his clover seed crop. From 84 acres he threshed out 50½ bushels which he sold for \$6.75 per bushel and it reckoned up \$340.87. Come north young man, buy a farm and grow up with the country.—Gaylord Herald.

The committee in charge of the re-election and entertainment of the Saginaw Trades Contingent, last week, never missed a note, and Eugene Brown, of the City Cafe, fully proved his ability and success as a caterer on such an occasion. Nothing was omitted, and no more could be desired.

The Supreme court Monday afternoon decided in a case arising in Eaton county, that in ordering taxes reassessed against lands, boards of supervisors must specify definitely the lands against which taxes are to be reassessed. It is reported that in many counties the proceedings taken by supervisors in similar cases are defective.

President J. B. Angell, of the University of Michigan, submitted to an operation in the private hospital of Dr. Darling last Saturday. The affection was of a dangerous nature, and was located on the left cheek, near the eye, but the operation, which was performed by Dr. Nancrude, assisted by Dr. Darling, was entirely successful and the trouble is believed to be wholly eradicated.

President Angell stood the ordeal well.

All records were broken for the last fiscal year in the total amount of the purchases made by the people of the United States from foreign countries, and thus, for upon the new year, last year's record is being distanced. It has been estimated that customs receipts for the present year will exceed last year by more than forty million dollars. The United States has become a most important purchaser, as well as the greatest seller on earth. The Chinese wall fear, which the opponents of protection have always insisted in keeping before them, finds no room for existence in these facts.

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YES

We must continue to try and please the ladies, and therefore have arranged to club the Avalanche and New Idea Magazine for \$1.40 per year, to paid up subscribers. Call or send for a sample copy, at this office.

Democratic County Convention.

At the Democratic County Convention, Saturday, there was sharp, good natured rivalry for the nomination of sheriff, with six candidates in the field, and it took seven ballots to decide between them. There was but little opposition for any of the other nominations, and following is the ticket:

For Sheriff—Chas. W. Amidon. For Treasurer—Walmer Jorgenson. Clerk—John Buck. For Register of Deeds—John Leece. For Surveyor—Albert E. Newman. For Coroner—Wright Havens. Andrew Brown.

No nominations were made for Prosecuting Attorney or Circuit Court Commissioner.

The entire ticket names men well known throughout the county, every one is well worthy the support of their party.

A Badly Burned Girl

or boy, man or woman, is quickly out of pain if Buckle's Arnica Salve is applied promptly. G. J. Welch, of Tekonsha, Mich., says: "I use it in my family for cuts, sores and all skin injuries, and find it perfect." Buckle's Arnica Salve is known. Best healing salve made. 25¢ at L. Fournier's drug store.

SALESMEN wanted for our new map of Michigan. Just from the press and contains many new and attractive features. Complete index with location and population from 1905 census. Electric railroads are shown in colors. Special inducements offered experienced salesmen.

RAND, McNALLY & CO., Chicago, Ill.

Notice,

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Crawford county on the republican ticket; subject to the approval of the republican convention, to be held at the court house in Grayling, October 16, 1906.

FRANK R. DECKROW.

Blood Poisoning

results from chronic constipation, which is quickly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. They remove all poisonous germs from the system and infuse new life and vigor; cure sour stomach, hiccups, headache, dizziness and colic, without griping or discomfort. 25¢. Guaranteed by L. Fournier, druggist.

Sealed Bids.

Sealed bids will be received for the erection of the Scandinavian Hall and Library, until Tuesday, October 16, inclusive. Plans and specifications may be seen at H. Peterson's store. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

BY COMMITTEE.

Danger from the Plague.

There's grave danger from the plague of Coughs and Colds that are so prevalent, unless you take Dr. King's New Discovery—Pills for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Mrs. G. C. Mills, of Forest City, Me., states: "It's a Godsend to people living in climates where coughs and colds prevail. I find it quickly ends them. It prevents Pneumonia, cures LaGrippe, gives wonderful relief in Asthma and Hay Fever, and makes weak lungs strong enough to ward off Consumption, Coughs and Colds. \$1.00. Guaranteed by L. Fournier's drug store. Trial bottle free.

Presbyterian Church.

Babath, Oct. 11th. 10:30 a. m. Preaching. 11:30 a. m. Sabbath School. 6 p. m. C. E. Meeting. 7 p. m. Second of a series of addresses of the Life Story and work of S. H. Hadley the Greatest Rescue Mission Worker of his age.

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YOUNG BRIDAL PAIR MEET HORRIBLE DEATH.

Bright Red Dress Precipitates Fate of Youth of 10 and His 17-Year-Old Wife—Returning Husband Is Robbed.

Just as they left the home of the Chapman in Richmond Falls, W. Va., who had married them, Frederick Gordon, aged 10, and his 17-year-old wife, who eloped that day, were attacked by a bull and gored to death. A red dress which the young wife wore is believed to have angered the bull and was the cause of the tragedy. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon had cut across a meadow to catch a train which was to take them on their wedding trip, out of reach of their parents, who it was feared, would pursue them. They did not see the bull until it charged them. Escape was impossible and Gordon attempted to drive away the bull by kicking it. The horns of the animal were plunged into his side, however, and he was borne to the ground. The bull gored him repeatedly and trampled him until life was extinct. Mrs. Gordon looked on, terrified that she was unable to move. Leaving the dead youth, the bull attacked her. She was powerless to attempt to escape and was caught on the horns, tossed into the air, gored again and then hurled far over a barbed wire fence into an adjoining field. She was injured so badly that she died a few hours later.

ROBBED OF ALL BUT HIS DOG.

Man Returning to Wife in Austria Knocked Senseless in Hotel.

Paul Kokotek of Melrose Park, near Chicago, a shoemaker, left the town recently with his dog, Fritz, for Austria. He returned from the east a few days later, poorer by \$240. He was robbed in Boston and did not have money with which to continue his journey. He had started to the old world to visit his wife, whom he had not seen for three years. Before leaving Chicago he saved the \$240 to the inside of his shirt. In Boston he took a room in a cheap lodging house for a night. He was awakened by the barking of his dog and leaped out of bed, but was struck on the head with some weapon and was made unconscious. When he regained his senses he found that the \$240 had been torn from his shirt. He had \$14 left, this being in his shoe. With this he returned to Melrose Park. Four years ago when three of his children died and doctor's bills brought him to poverty he decided to come to America. He left his wife and one child in Austria, promising to send for them later.

ON THE DIAMOND FIELD.

Finish of Club in Race for Base Ball Pennants.
NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Played, Wm. ... Played, Wm. Chicago ... 152 116 Brooklyn ... 152 66 New York ... 152 96 Cincinnati ... 151 61 Pittsburgh ... 153 93 St. Louis ... 150 55 Philadelphia ... 153 71 Boston ... 154 49

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Three Children Burned to Death.
Three of the seven children in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vanier of Portland, Me., were burned to death in a fire caused by the explosion of a lamp which had been accidentally overturned. The children were 14, 8 and 6 years of age. Three other children were saved with difficulty.

Former Cashier Is Convicted.
Former Cashier Lingafelter of the wrecked Newark, Ohio, savings bank was found guilty of forgery. He had been convicted at a previous trial, but a re-hearing was ordered. The shortage in the savings bank is put at \$75,000.

Kills Self with Potato Knife.
Private John West, for twenty-two years a member of the Eighteenth Infantry, went into the basement of the barracks in Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and severed his jugular vein with a potato knife. He was dead when found.

No Obolos Stand for Magno.
Charles E. Magno, Governor of Cuba will be a free lance, with no official standing with the United States. The policy of President Roosevelt is to afford an object lesson to Latin-America in making good Root's promises.

Sleep on Track and Killed.
Howard Howe, 23, and Luther Shoppert, aged 20 years, were killed by a train while walking to their homes in College Corner, Ohio, on the Indiana line. The engineer claims that they had gone to sleep on the track.

Troops in Cuban Camp.
American troops, the first to be landed in the present occupation of Cuba, are in camp on the island and may be used forcibly to subdue rebels, who in several places are holding out.

Wreck Near Troy, N. Y.
Five passengers, among them F. L. Block of Peoria, Ill., were killed and a score injured in a military special crash near Troy, N. Y.

Exploding Trap Men in Shaft.
Fifteen miners are believed to have perished in an explosion in the Dutchmen coal mine at Blawhous, five miles from Raton, N. M. Three bodies have been recovered. The cause of the explosion is not known.

Landed to Steel Corporation.
The Hill iron ore lands have been leased to the United States Steel Corporation, which acquires 400,000,000 tons of ore and makes its supreme for all time. J. J. Hill and his associates will be paid millions of dollars a year in royalties.

Modus Vivendi as to Fisheries.
It is announced at the State Department in Washington, D. C., that a modus vivendi has been reached with the British government relative to the Newfoundland fisheries that will, it is believed, be satisfactory to the Gloucester fishermen.

Plot to Kill a Governor.
An infernal machine, sent through the mails to Gov. Pennington, was discovered in the executive mansion in Harrisburg, Pa. The appearance of the box aroused the suspicion of the Governor's staff, who threw it into water before opening it.

GUNNERS PLEASE PRESIDENT.

Picked by the Work Done by Men on the Battleship Missouri.

Stokers brought ashore by United States sailors at Provincetown, Mass., are to the effect that President Roosevelt was enthusiastic over the fine showing made by the gunners of the battleship Missouri in target practice. The showings made with the big guns was especially pleasing to him. The 12-inch guns were fired at target No. 1, four shots each, and every shot scored a hit, the whole being fired in three and one-half minutes. President Roosevelt was standing where he could plainly see the shots in their flight and see them hit the target. As the shells, one after another, struck, he would bring his right fist into the left palm as though he were striking a blow, and exclaim: "That's great! Now, isn't that fine? Another right through?" When the eighth shot had punched its huge hole right under the hull, so the President cried out: "The hull goes!" The President cried out: "Eight shots and every one square through the target. It's wonderful and 12-inch at that!" Mr. Roosevelt learned that for more than a year every 12-inch shot fired on the Missouri struck the target.

LONG BLIND SEES AGAIN.

Operations Restore Sight to Girl—Case Was Regarded Stepfather.

The light that failed three years ago and left Margaret Huber of New York, then 7 years of age, stone blind, has been brought back by a series of operations which ophthalmologists declare remarkable. The knife was used in an extreme case of iridocyclitis, and the chances seemed to be 100 to 1 that the irritation from which the blindness arose would be increased. Dr. John A. Price of the ophthalmic department of the German Polyclinic performed the operations. "It seemed just like night all the time," said the little patient when she could see again, "but I never got discouraged. I shall love the doctor all my life. Now I can go to school. I have never been there."

FIND \$50,000 HIDDEN TREASURE.

Pots of Gold and Other Valuables on Farm Near Hudson, N. Y.

Pots of gold, filled with coins dating back to the reign of George III, bearing the date of 1770, and bells tied in knots, studded into vases and cups, were found in least expected places of the Robinson homestead in Hudson, N. Y., where four weeks ago neighbors found the body of Miss Frances Carolyn Robinson. Until the hidden money was found it was supposed that Miss Robinson left not more than \$6,000, but now with the finding of the concealed treasure the estate is brought to more than half a hundred thousand dollars. It is estimated that \$50,000 was found in the house in one day.

Eight Escape from Jail.
Eight prisoners broke out of the Licking county jail in Newark, Ohio, after making a vicious assault upon the turn key, Christopher Galvin, and locking him in a cell. Among the fugitives are George Moore, a former convict, and Clarence Starrett and Douglas Wehrle, charged with serious offenses.

Gorman's Big Estate a Myth.

Great surprise has been felt by all except intimate personal friends of the late Senator Arthur Pue Gorman of Maryland that the inventor of his personal estate reached only \$612,400. The Senator's fortune had been estimated variously from \$3,000,000 to \$20,000,000.

Throw Acid in Daughter's Face.

In Warren, Ohio, angered by quarreling with her daughter, Mrs. Lucretia Burkhardt threw carbolic acid into the face of Mrs. George Heininger as she was endeavoring to force her way into Mrs. Burkhardt's house. The victim may lose the use of one eye.

Accused Officer Released.

Officer George Couts, it was alleged by Mexican authorities, went across the boundary line for a prisoner, and placed him under arrest before he got him in this country, was released by a United States commissioner at San Diego, Calif.

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Coal and Coke Production.

The geological survey finds the output of coal in the United States amounted to 322,010,311 short tons, which had a value at the mines of \$176,775,063, in 1905. The production of coke amounted to 3,402,318 short tons.

Will Build Large Dam.

James J. Hill has not only completed a survey of a proposed new line from Boise City to San Francisco, but he has secured quite a valuable point on the bay shore for railroad terminals.

Ohio Miners on Strike.

The men at three mines at Massillon, Ohio, are on a strike because of the suspension of ten miners from three days' work for loading dirt with coal.

DAMAGE BY TORNADO.

STORM SWEEPS OVER SECTION OF LOUISIANA.

Four Lives Are Lost and Damage to Property May Amount to More Than \$200,000—Six Killed by Gun Blast—Other News.

A section of Louisiana 100 miles wide was swept by a tornado shortly after 8 o'clock Friday morning and four persons were killed and many injured. Besides many houses were blown down and other damage done to the extent of \$200,000. The storm was most severe at Ponchatoula, fifty miles north of New Orleans, on the Illinois Central road, where four persons were crushed to death and several injured. Damage to property there was also heavy. In New Orleans the Jai Alai skating rink was blown to pieces and the debris from it scattered in every direction. At First and Magnolia streets a house was demolished and a woman and child severely hurt. A factory at Erato and Magnolia streets is also reported to have suffered severely. Several persons were injured by flying timbers. The tornado crossed the river near Audubon park, swept in a northwest direction over the city. It was preceded by a thunderous noise. Along its whole path of three miles or more in the city damage was done. Telephone and telegraph poles were prostrated and communication with many parts of the city was rendered impossible. Debris strewn along its track, put the Peterae avenue car line temporarily out of business. At Toledo and Saratoga streets a new market in process of construction was leveled. Five new residences in that neighborhood were razed. A negro in Douglas square was picked up bodily and blown away. Some damage was done at the oil mill, in the same neighborhood. A warehouse at Liberty and Poydras streets was blown down. A heavy iron car there was turned upside down.

FIND CORPSE IN TRUNK.

Death Discovery Creates Sensation at Philadelphia. Y. W. C. A.

Hidden in a trunk owned by a young woman boarder at the Young Woman's Christian Association Building, at 18th and Arch streets, Philadelphia, was found the body of a murdered infant. The arms and legs had been cut off, and from the condition of the body it was evident that the child had been beaten to death. The authorities entirely exonerate from blame the young woman in whose trunk the body was found, and the officials of the association, who are in a position to know of the physical condition of each of their 300 boarders, are positive that none of them was the mother of the child. The fact that a strict surveillance is kept upon every person entering the building adds to the mystery.

VICTORY FOR LOW FIRE LINE.

Mayor Johnson of Cleveland Wins in Fight for Terminus.

Mayor Johnson's 3-cent-fare street railway won a big victory in Cleveland by the decision of Judge Beacon in the Common Pleas Court. For two months the Cleveland Electric Railway has been trying by every means possible to prevent the low-fare company from running its track through Franklin Circle, a small park which is planned to be the centering point of all the new railway's West Side lines. The Mayor's company was first enjoined from using the streets leading to the park, but the Mayor won in court and the injunctions were lifted. Then application was made for an injunction to prevent the new company from building through the park, but Judge Beacon's decision nullifies this proceeding.

GAS BLAST KILLS SIX.

Terrible Explosion Under Bus Street in Philadelphia.

Six men are known to have been killed and a score injured owing to the explosion of a gas main in the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company's subway at Sixth and Market streets. The force of the explosion was felt for squares and property was damaged to the extent of \$500,000 in adjacent streets. Fourteen men are in hospitals suffering from injuries in the explosion, and there probably dozens more who have been injured, of whom the police have heard nothing.

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Michigan State News

PRIMARY MONEY FOR COUNTIES.

First Authentic Figures Relative to Amount Given Out.

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Preserving Shingled Roofs.

Many dollars may be saved by making your roof last five or more years longer than is usual before reshingling. Take some air-dried lime and when the shingles are damp sprinkle it upon the upper part of the roof. It will gradually wash over the whole of it and preserve it wonderfully. A bushel of lime will be sufficient for 1,000 square feet. If you don't believe this, examine your roof and notice the difference in that part where the lime has washed from the chimney.

Best Stock Profitable.

Successful dairying has proved that the greater profit comes from the best cows, whatever their kind. This is as true of pure bred or registered stock as of common cows. It is better to pay \$300 for three excellent cows than to pay the same for four cows or five which are only fair. A really superior dairy cow of a superior family, with pedigree which gives assurance of calves equal to the dam, if not better, is always worth a large price. Such an animal adds much to the average value of any dairy herd. In buying registered dairy cattle deal only with men of reputation as breeders and of strict integrity.

Points on Prairie Soil.

All who have taken up prairie farms will recognize the truth of the following statement of Professor Ten Eyck of Kansas, in regard to them:

When the wild prairie is first broken the soil is mellow, moist and rich, producing abundant crops. After a few years of continuous grain cropping and cultivation, the physical condition of the soil changes—the soil grains become finer; the soil becomes more compact and heavier to handle; it dries out quicker than it used to and often turns over in hard clods and lumps when plowed. The perfect till and freedom from clods, so characteristic of virgin soils, is always more or less completely restored whenever land has been laid down to grass for a sufficient length of time.

The Grange of South America.

The Argentine Republic is best known of all the South American countries because it produces cereals and beef, mutton, wool and hides in competition with the United States, Canada and European countries; yet it is difficult to keep pace with the enormous growth of Argentine agriculture during the last few years just as very many persons are still unable to grasp the fact that instead of being a little country somewhere down in South America, it is twenty-eight times the size of Ohio, and that while in the northern regions it produces sugar and other tropical products, yet as a whole it is to be viewed as another Mississippi valley. The Argentine minister of agriculture estimates the wheat crop for the current year at 3,882,000 tons, the area under cultivation being 14,023,000 acres. The foreign commerce this year will exceed \$750,000,000.

How to Make a Good Road Grader.

A good road grader can be made for about \$5 that will make a good grade quicker and with fewer teams than the usual \$300 grader. Nail solidly together three planks in the form of a letter A; then, on one side fasten a bar of iron or steel about 4 inches wide, letting it project down about two inches; on the other side fasten on a similar iron with a slight curve outward, projecting only about one-half inch below the planks. Now plow two or three furrows on each side of the place where you want your grade.

Then hitch onto the point of your grader with a large clevis and chain so that you can adjust the draw; pull with the side that has the straight iron against the bank and adjust your weight so as to hold it there. It will move these furrows to the width of the scraper.

Two more furrows can then be plowed and so on, till the width is all that is wanted; then start back near the center again and proceed as before. A higher grade can be built with this than with the ordinary grader, in less time and with less power.

Cause of Bitter Milk.

Bitter milk is one of the most annoying ills with which a dairymen can be afflicted. Bitterness sometimes develops in the best-kept dairies, while the most slovenly will be immune. Its cause is an organism resembling the ordinary yeast; in fact, it is a yeast. It is originally found on the leaves of trees. Just as the yeast organism is found on hops, but is easily transmitted to milk cows, on the stable dust. When once these yeast organisms gain admittance to milk, they find conditions favorable for their development and proceed to reproduce themselves, hence the bitter taste in milk, cream and butter. To remove the source of infection is no small task, for in all the crevices of every can in which milk has been kept there will be found sufficient of the yeast to carry on infection. It is, therefore, necessary to thoroughly clean, scald and sear the surfaces of every vessel in which milk has been kept, then carefully whitewash the milkhouse, cellar or pantry, and this should prevent further development in the house. At the same time sweep down the walls and ceiling of the stable, and give all the stable a thorough coat of whitewash or a soaping with some disinfectant, such as lard oil or mercury, not to exceed thousand parts of water. Encourage advocate.

Horses' Value Increasing.

Government statistics show that the value of horses has increased surprisingly the last nine years. On January 1, 1897, there were 14,251,037 horses in the United States, and their estimated value then was \$152,640,236, the average value at this estimate being about \$10.50 per head. On January 1, 1906, the total number of horses was 18,718,578, and their estimated value was \$151,088,000, which is about \$90.75 a head or more than twice as high times as much a head as was their estimated value nine years ago.

FIRE RAVAGES MICHIGAN TOWN.

Northport, Being Without Protection, Almost Wiped Out.

Fanned by a northwest gale, fire, which started in the Northern Hotel in Northport, quickly consumed that building, the general store of H. E. Gill, across the street; the docks and warehouses of the Traverse City, Leelanau and Manistee Car ferry, and, eating its way to Grand Traverse Bay, many private residences. The village is without organized fire protection. The efforts of a bucket brigade were vain. Fire fighting apparatus was brought from Traverse City, but could save only several dwellings. The loss is \$50,000, with only a small portion insured.

FATHER DESERTS HIS SON.

Boy Left Desolate 2,000 Miles from Home.

Leslie Ferguson, 10 years old, is stranded in the Soo because his father mysteriously deserted him at Saxon, a station on the South Shore in Wisconsin. The boy and his father were traveling from the Canadian Northwest to Collingwood when the father gave him \$2 and got off the train after telling the boy to come to the Soo and wait for him. The man has not been seen since and cannot be located. Nobody at Saxon knows anything of him and it is believed that he is insane and wandering somewhere in the woods. The boy is being cared for nearly 2,000 miles from home.

SCHOOLCRAFT IS SCORCHED.

Fire Consumes \$8,000 Worth of Property.

The most destructive fire to visit Schoolcraft in over thirty years broke out at an early hour on a recent morning in a row of two-story wooden buildings in the business district and five were consumed with most of their contents. The heaviest loser is J. F. Fullmer, hardware and implement dealer, who occupied three of the buildings. One building was vacant and another was occupied as a bowling alley. The estimated loss on buildings is \$4,000 and a like amount on stock. The loss is well covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

SCHOOL BOY BURNS BARN.

Eleven-Year-Old Frank Smith Confesses to Starting Fire.

With sobs and tears, little Frank Smith, 11 years old, confessed to Patrolmen John McDonnell and Frederick Dibble, in Detroit, that he was responsible for the two big fires which on Sunday, Sept. 16, destroyed three barns and seven houses owned by Garner Bros., 141 Williamson Avenue east. The lad said, the police alleged, that he did it "just to see the fire," and not because he had any grudge against Garner Bros.

BRIDE IS 87, GROOM 24.

Unusual Discrepancy in Ages of Bride Married at Quintessence.

Mariages in which the bride is nearly three times the age of the groom are exceedingly rare, yet a nuptial event marked by this discrepancy in ages is reported from Quintessence. The bride was a Mrs. Day, who confessed to 87 summers, and the groom, Joseph Shea, 21 years old. Justice A. E. Robbins of Iron Mountain cited the nuptial knot.

Within Our Borders.

Pittsburgh People Want Bank.

Hilldale ball team has deficit of \$265. Battle Creek to have six-story department store.

Episcopalgians will build stone church at Munising.

Little boy near Marcellus badly bitten by dog.

Business men of North Lansing competing ox roast.

Ernest Moore of Davison fell from loft of barn and broke both legs.

Arabia woman caught finger in windmill and nearly lost member.

Clay man sentenced to Ionia for cutting neighbor's cow with corn cutter.

Girard man taking pasture treatment at Ann Arbor. Was bitten by dog.

Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. inaugurates campaign for funds to carry on work.

Michigan State banks increased their deposits nearly \$20,000,000 during year.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boyd of Jones celebrated fiftieth wedding anniversary.

While returning home from church, Northville woman fell, breaking wrist.

Miss Mabel Cornell and Rev. Ernest Brown, both of Ishpeming, united in marriage.

Plint man died as result of getting silver in hand. Blood poisoning developed.

Rev. H. L. Potter declines Democratic nomination for State Senator in Seventh District.

Dr. J. L. Buell, Methodist pastor at Grand Rapids, celebrated fiftieth anniversary in ministry.

William Hick Bond, a former resident of Calumet, paid the penalty for murder at Boise, Idaho, by hanging.

The Pere Marquette dock at Alden was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$1,500. Sparks from a passing train caused it. No water was available.

Two masked men held up the stage between Blyden and Volney, secured \$150 in stamps and escaped. A posse was at once organized and started in pursuit of the robbers.

There was a panic at midnight when an unsuccessful attempt was made to blow up the E. E. Chandler dam at Leland. The front of the newspaper plant of the Lelandian Enterprise was blown out and many windows in the town broken. The dam has caused water to back up on farm property and, it is alleged, threats had been made to blow it up. There is no clue except some fresh tracks in the mud.

Thomas Peterson, aged 23, and Lewis Kilby, aged 24, were instantly killed and Thomas White, aged 25, was fatally injured when a buggy in which they were riding was struck by a switch engine in Battle Creek.

Bishop Charles D. Williams of the Episcopal diocese of Michigan in Detroit died. It is said he died in an address before Dr. Y. M. C. A. "The Bible as the word of God is the most prolific source of anxiety; the church has to contend with." He declared that his statement was that a certain view of the Bible is a most prolific source of unhappiness.

EDWARD S. CONWAY

company since 1877, and is a member of the Union League and other clubs.

Carlos Wilson, a collector of Napoleonica, who had 200 volumes and 9,000 prints of the great Coriolan, recently died in Boston. His collection was said to be the finest in America, if not in the world.

As the daughter of the man whom President Roosevelt released to build the great Panama canal, Miss Shorts is an interesting figure in Washington society. However, were her father less distinguished Miss Shorts would still attract attention by her own intellectual merit and social graces. There are better dressed women in Washington now.

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